## NOTES TO USERS

This map is for use in administering the National Flood Insurance Program. I does not necessarily identify all areas subject to flooding, particularly from local drainage sources of small size. The community map repository should be consulted for possible updated or additional flood hazard information.

To obtain more detailed information in areas where Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) and/or floodways have been determined, users are encouraged to consult the Flood Profiles and Floodway Data and/or Summary of Stillwater Elevations tables contained within the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report that accompanies this FIRM. Users should be aware that BFEs shown on the FIRM represent rounded whole-foot elevations. These BFEs are intended for flood insurance rating purposes only and should not be used as the sole source of flood elevation information. Accordingly, flood elevation data presented in the FIS report should be utilized in conjunction with the FIRM for purposes of construction and/or floodplain management.

Coastal Base Flood Elevations shown on this map apply only landward of 0.0' North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD 88). Users of this FIRM should be aware that coastal flood elevations are also provided in the Summary of Stillwater Elevations table in the Flood Insurance Study report for this jurisdiction. Elevations shown in the Summary of Stillwater Elevations table should be used for construction and/or floodplain management purposes when they are higher than the elevations shown on this FIRM.

Boundaries of the floodways were computed at cross sections and interpolated between cross sections. The floodways were based on hydraulic considerations with regard to requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program. Floodway widths and other pertinent floodway data are provided in the Flood Insurance Study report for this jurisdiction.

Certain areas not in Special Flood Hazard Areas may be protected by **flood** control structures. Refer to Section 2.4 "Flood Protection Measures" of the Flood Insurance Study report for information on flood control structures for this jurisdiction.

The **projection** used in the preparation of this map was Plane south central zone (FIPSZONE 4204). The horizontal datum was NAD83, GRS1980 spheroid. Differences in datum, spheroid, projection or State Plane zones used in the production of FIRMs for adjacent jurisdictions may result in slight positional differences in map features across jurisdiction boundaries. These differences do not affect the accuracy of the FIRM.

Flood elevations on this map are referenced to the North American Vertical Datum of 1988. These flood elevations must be compared to structure and ground elevations referenced to the same vertical datum. For information regarding conversion between the National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 and the North American Vertical Datum of 1988, visit the National Geodetic Survey website at http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/ or contact the National Geodetic Survey at the following address:

NGS Information Services NOAA, N/NGS12 National Geodetic Survey SSMC-3, #9202 1315 East-West Highway

Silver Spring, MD 20910-3282

To obtain current elevation, description, and/or location information for **bench marks** shown on this map, please contact the Information Services Branch of the National Geodetic Survey at (301) 713-3242, or visit its website at http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/.

Base map information was obtained from the Texas Natural Resources Information System, Fort Bend County Department of Engineering, the National Geodetic Survey, U.S. Geological Survey, Houston-Galveston Area Council, FEMA, and from

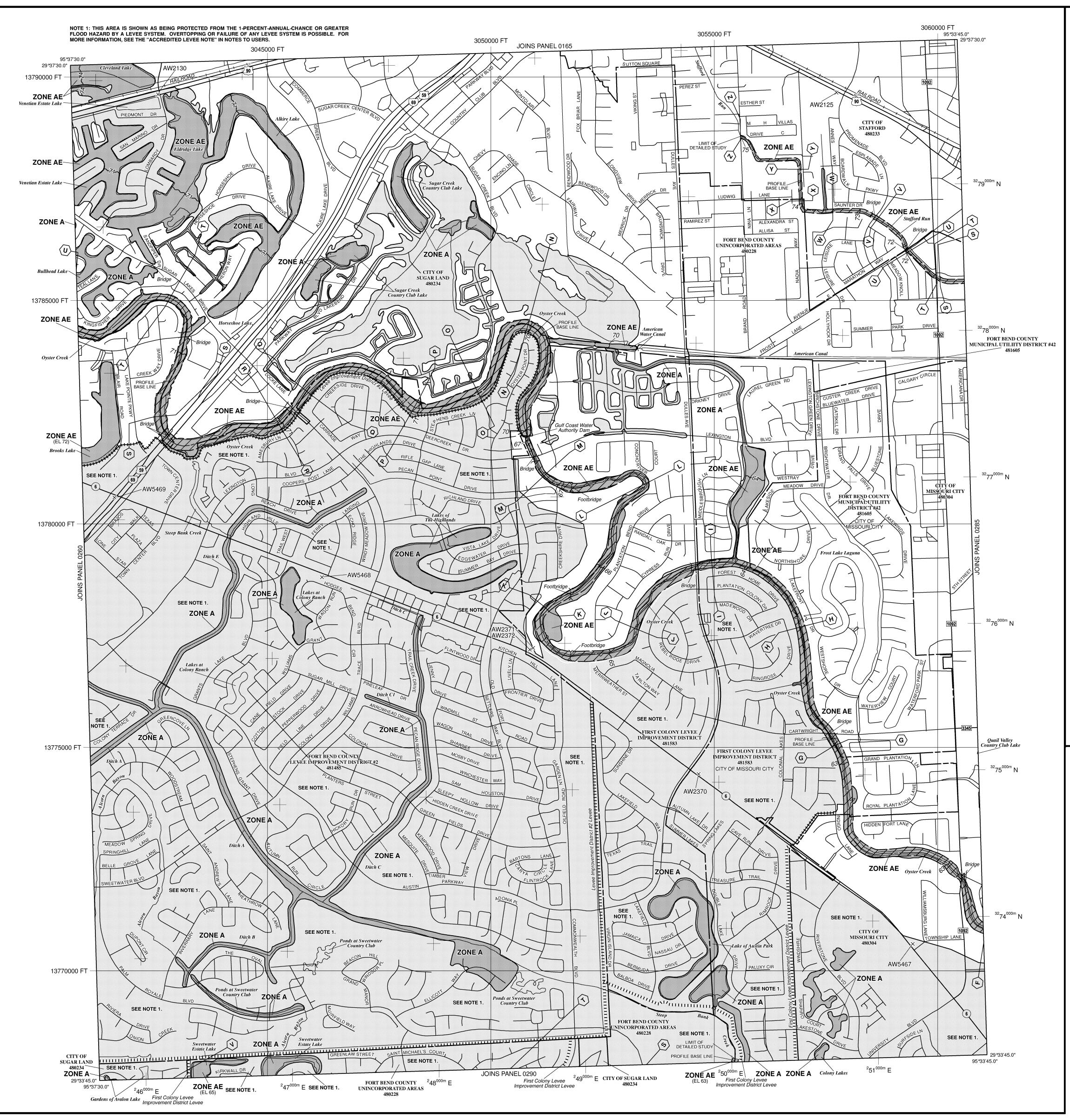
local communities and districts. This map may reflect more detailed or up to date stream channel configurations than those shown on the previous FIRM. The floodplains and floodways that were transferred from the previous FIRM may have been adjusted to conform to these new stream channel configurations and improved topographic data. The profile baselines depicted on this map represent the hydraulic modeling baselines that match the flood profiles and Floodway Data Tables if applicable, in the FIS report. As a result, the profile baselines may deviate significantly from the new base map channel representation and may appear outside of the floodplain.

Corporate limits shown on this map are based on the best data available at the time of publication. Because changes due to annexations or de-annexation may have occurred after this map was published, map users should contact appropriate community officials to verify current corporate limit locations.

Please refer to the separately printed Map Index for an overview map of the county showing the layout of map panels; community map repository addresses; and a Listing of Communities table containing National Flood Insurance Program dates for each community as well as a listing of the panels on which each community is located.

For information and questions about this map, available products associated with this FIRM including historic versions of this FIRM, how to order products or the National Flood Insurance Program in general, please call the FEMA Map Information eXchange at 1-877-FEMA-MAP (1-877-336-2627) or visit the **FEMA Map Service Center** website at http://msc.fema.gov. Available products may include previously issued Letters of Map Change, a Flood Insurance Study Report, and/or digital versions of this map. Many of these products can be ordered or obtained directly from the website. Users may determine the current map date for each FIRM panel by visiting the **FEMA Map Service Center** website or by calling the FEMA Map Information eXchange.

Accredited Levee Notes to Users: Check with your local community to obtain more information, such as the estimated level of protection provided (which may exceed the 1-percent-annual-chance level) and Emergency Action Plan, on the levee system(s) shown as providing protection for areas on this panel. To mitigate flood risk in residual risk areas, property owners and residents are encouraged to consider flood insurance and floodproofing or other protective measures. For more information on flood insurance, interested parties should visit the FEMA Website at http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip/index.shtm.



## LEGEND

SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREAS (SFHAs) SUBJECT TO INUNDATION BY THE 1% ANNUAL CHANCE FLOOD The 1% annual chance flood (100-year flood), also known as the base flood, is the flood

that has a 1% chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year. The Special Flood Hazard Area is the area subject to flooding by the 1% annual chance flood. Areas of Special Flood Hazard include Zones A, AE, AH, AO, AR, A99, V and VE. The Base Flood Elevation is the water-surface elevation of the 1% annual chance flood.

No Base Flood Elevations determined. Base Flood Elevations determined.

Flood depths of 1 to 3 feet (usually areas of ponding); Base Flood Flood depths of 1 to 3 feet (usually sheet flow on sloping terrain); average depths determined. For areas of alluvial fan flooding, velocities

Special Flood Hazard Area formerly protected from the 1% annual chance flood by a flood control system that was subsequently decertified. Zone AR indicates that the former flood control system is being restored to provide protection from the 1% annual chance or

Area to be protected from 1% annual chance flood by a Federal flood protection system under construction; no Base Flood Elevations Coastal flood zone with velocity hazard (wave action); no Base Flood Elevations determined.

Coastal flood zone with velocity hazard (wave action); Base Flood

FLOODWAY AREAS IN ZONE AE

The floodway is the channel of a stream plus any adjacent floodplain areas that must be kept free of encroachment so that the 1% annual chance flood can be carried without

substantial increases in flood heights. OTHER FLOOD AREAS

Elevations determined.

Areas of 0.2% annual chance flood; areas of 1% annual chance flood with average depths of less than 1 foot or with drainage areas less than 1 square mile; and areas protected by levees from 1% annual chance

COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCES SYSTEM (CBRS) AREAS

OTHER AREAS

Areas determined to be outside the 0.2% annual chance floodplain. Areas in which flood hazards are undetermined, but possible.

OTHERWISE PROTECTED AREAS (OPAs)

CBRS areas and OPAs are normally located within or adjacent to Special Flood Hazard Areas.

Floodplain boundary

Floodway boundary Zone D boundary ••••• CBRS and OPA boundary · Boundary dividing Special Flood Hazard Areas of different Base Flood Elevations, flood depths or flood velocities. → 513 → Base Flood Elevation line and value; elevation in feet\*

Base Flood Elevation value where uniform within zone; elevation in feet\* Referenced to the North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD 88)

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(23)----(23) Transect line 97°07'30", 32°22'30"

Geographic coordinates referenced to the North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83) 1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 15

5000-foot grid values: Texas State Plane coordinate 6000000 FT system, south central zone (FIPSZONE 4204), Conformal Conic Bench mark (see explanation in Notes to Users section of this FIRM panel)

> MAP REPOSITORIES Refer to Map Repositories list on Map Index

EFFECTIVE DATE OF COUNTYWIDE FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP September 30, 1992

April 2, 2014 -to update corporate limits, to change Base Flood Elevations, to change Special Flood Hazard Areas, to add roads and road names, to incorporate previously issued Letters of Map Revision, and to reflect updated topographic information.

EFFECTIVE DATE(S) OF REVISION(S) TO THIS PANEL

For community map revision history prior to countywide mapping, refer to the Community Map History table located in the Flood Insurance Study report for this jurisdiction.

To determine if flood insurance is available in this community, contact your insurance agent or call the National Flood Insurance Program at 1-800-638-6620.

METERS

PANEL 0280L

**FIRM** FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP FORT BEND COUNTY, **TEXAS** 

**PANEL 280 OF 575** (SEE MAP INDEX FOR FIRM PANEL LAYOUT) **CONTAINS: COMMUNITY** NUMBER PANEL SUFFIX FORT BEND COUNTY 480228 FORT BEND COUNTY 0280

AND INCORPORATED AREAS

LEVEE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #2 FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT #42 FIRST COLONY LEVEE IMPROVEMENT DISTRIC MISSOURI CITY, CITY OF 480304 STAFFORD, CITY OF 480233

SUGAR LAND, CITY OF

Notice to User: The Map Number shown below should be above should be used on insurance applications for the subject

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